

# First Regional Review of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration in the UNECE region

12 and 13 November 2020

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| Thursday, 12 November 2020, 10:00 – 15:20 |   |
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| Virtual Meeting (240 mins)                |   |
|   | <b>Opening session (30 mins)</b>  |
| 10:00 – 10:30                             | <p><b>Moderator</b><br/>Ms. Renate Held, Regional Director IOM Regional Office Vienna for the SEECA region</p> <p><b>Panel</b><br/>Mr. António Vitorino, Coordinator of the UN Network on Migration and Director General of the International Organization for Migration (IOM)<br/>Ms. Salome Zourabichvili, President of the Republic of Georgia (TBC)<br/>Mr. Evarist Bartolo, Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Malta<br/>Mr. Niels Annen, Minister of State, Federal Foreign Office, Federal Republic of Germany<br/>Ms. Michele LeVoy, Rapporteur Multi-stakeholder Consultations on the Regional Review for Europe and North America.</p>          |
|   | <p><b>Roundtable 1 (100 mins)</b><br/>(addressing GCM objective 14, 15, 16, 19, 20 and 22)<br/>14. Enhance consular protection, assistance and cooperation throughout the migration cycle<br/>15. Provide access to basic services for migrants<br/>16. Empower migrants and societies to realize full inclusion and social cohesion<br/>19. Create conditions for migrants and diasporas to fully contribute to sustainable development in all countries<br/>20. Promote faster, safer &amp; cheaper transfer of remittances &amp; foster financial inclusion of migrants<br/>22. Establish mechanisms for the portability of social security entitlements and earned benefits</p> |
| 10:30 – 12:10                             | <p><b>Moderator</b><br/>Ms. Laurel Townhead, Representative for Human Rights and Refugees, Quaker United Nations Office</p> <p><b>Panel discussion</b><br/>Mr. George Balan, State Secretary of Migration, Republic of Moldova<br/>Mr. Frederic Vallier, Secretary General, Council of European Municipalities and Regions<br/>Representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) (tbc)</p> <p><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b></p>  |
| 12:10 – 13:30                             | <b>Lunch Break</b>  |
|   | <p><b>Roundtable 2 (100 mins)</b><br/>(addressing GCM objectives 2, 5, 6, 12, 18)<br/>2. Minimize the adverse drivers and structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin<br/>5. Enhance availability and flexibility of pathways for regular migration<br/>6. Facilitate fair and ethical recruitment and safeguard conditions that ensure decent work<br/>12. Strengthen certainty and predictability in migration procedures for appropriate screening, assessment and referral<br/>18. Invest in skills development and facilitate mutual recognition of skills, qualifications and competences</p>  |
| 13:30 – 15:10                             | <p><b>Moderator</b><br/>Mr. Prof Andrew Geddes, Director Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute</p> <p><b>Panel discussion</b><br/>Mr Birzhan Nurymbetov, Minister of Labour, Republic of Kazakhstan<br/>Ms. Renate Hornung-Draus, Managing Director, European and International Affairs, International Organisation of Employers<br/>Ms. Lieve Verboven, Director of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Office for the EU and Benelux countries</p> <p><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b></p>   |
|   | <b>Summary of Day 1 (10 mins)</b>   |
| 15:10 – 15:20                             | Mr. David Donoghue, UN System Staff College Representative and former Irish Ambassador to UN  |

| <b>Friday, 13 November 2020, 10:00 – 15:40</b><br><b>Virtual Meeting</b> (240 mins) |  |
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|   | <b>Recap of Day 1</b> (10 mins)  |
| 10:00 – 10:10   | Mr. David Donoghue, UN System Staff College Representative and former Irish Ambassador to UN   |
|   | <b>Roundtable 3</b> (100 mins)<br>(addressing GCM objectives 4, 8, 9,10, 11, 13, 21)<br>4. Ensure that all migrants have proof of legal identity and adequate documentation<br>8. Save lives and establish coordinated international efforts on missing migrants<br>9. Strengthen the transnational response to smuggling of migrants<br>10. Prevent, combat and eradicate trafficking in persons in the context of international migration<br>11. Manage borders in an integrated, secure and coordinated manner<br>13. Use migration detention only as a measure of last resort and work towards alternatives<br>21. Cooperate in facilitating safe and dignified return and readmission, as well as sustainable reintegration |
| 10:10 – 11:50   | <b>Moderator</b><br>Representative from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) (tbc)<br><br><b>Panel discussion</b><br>Mr. Julian Hodaj, Deputy Minister of Interior, Republic of Albania<br>Mr. Felipe González Morales, Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants<br>Ms. Afshan Khan, Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia, UNICEF<br><br><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b>   |
| 11:50-13:30   | <b>Lunch Break</b>   |
|   | <b>Roundtable 4</b> (100 mins)<br>(GCM objectives 1, 3, 7, 17 and 23)<br>1. Collect and utilize accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies<br>3. Provide accurate and timely information at all stages of migration<br>7. Address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration<br>17. Eliminate all forms of discrimination and promote evidence-based public discourse to shape perceptions of migration<br>23. Strengthen international cooperation & global partnerships for safe, orderly & regular migration   |
| 13:30 – 15:10   | <b>Moderator</b><br>Mr. Paul Whittingham, Head of the Migration and Modern Slavery Dept at the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office<br><br><b>Panel discussion</b><br>German Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community (tbc)<br>Ms. Debbie Kohner, Secretary General, European Network of Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)<br>Ms. Birgit Van Hout, Regional Representative for Europe, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)<br><br><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b>  |
|   | <b>Closing</b> (20 mins)   |
| 15:10 – 15:40   | <b>Moderator</b><br>Jonathan Prentice, Head of UN Network on Migration Secretariat<br><br><b>Panel</b><br>Ms. Berta Nunes, Secretary of State of Portuguese Communities, Portugal<br>Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, Canada - (tbc)<br>Mr. Stéphane Jaquemet, Director of Policy, International Catholic Migration Committee (ICMC)   |